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Applicant is advised to provide appropriate drawings that would permit examination. The currently filed drawings, which include a poor photocopy with illegible markings and multiple engineering specifications with barely legible and illegible illustrations, reference characters and other markings, have made the drawings too difficult to use and too much of an eye strain to facilitate in the examination of this application. Note, there is a shortened statutory period with which to reply. Applicant is also advised that even if these drawings could be used to make an examination, they are too informal and incorporate to many problems to be acceptable in the event of allowance of the application.

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#### DETAILED ACTION

### Drawings

The informal drawings are not of sufficient quality to permit examination. (Emphasis added). Accordingly, new drawings are required in reply to this Office action.

Applicant is given a TWO MONTH time period to submit new drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.81. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). Failure to timely submit new drawings will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Drew A. Dunn* whose telephone number is (703) 305-0024. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday thru Thursday and every other Friday (second Friday of the bi-week).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert H. Kim, can be reached on (703) 305-3492. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-7722 or (703)308-7724.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

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